

HOUSE RESOLUTION 152

By Matheny

A RESOLUTION to commend Amanda Richardson for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Amanda Richardson is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Representative Judd Matheny and the House Consumer and Employee Affairs Committee; Ms. Richardson's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, first a student at Walters State Community College, Ms. Richardson transferred to the University of Memphis, where she is highly regarded by her peers; throughout her education, she has achieved academic success while majoring in Criminology and Criminal Justice and participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including the Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Society, Golden Key, Lambda Alpha Epsilon (the American Criminal Justice Association), Alpha Phi Sigma, the American Society of Criminologists, and the Criminal Justice Student Association, which she served as Vice-President; and

WHEREAS, she will soon be graduating *magna cum laude* in May 2009 with University Honors as well as Honors in Criminal Justice; and

WHEREAS, prior to assuming her post with the General Assembly, Amanda Richardson had already accrued experience as an intern at a governmental institution; she completed a semester-long research project at the Shelby County Penal Farm, where she worked on the 3R (Rehabilitate, Renew, and Reconnect) Project; and

WHEREAS, born in Medina, Ohio, on September 30, 1987, Amanda Richardson is the daughter of Thomas Richardson and Donna Maurer, for whom her accomplishments are a

tremendous source of pride; Ms. Richardson has two brothers, Richard Farren and Josh Farren; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Ms. Richardson brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2009 session of the One Hundred Sixth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2009 legislative session, she has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Amanda Richardson has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend Amanda Richardson for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Representative Judd Matheny and the House Consumer and Employee Affairs Committee and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.